Town of Stow Planning Board

Minutes approved

February 12th, 2024

Present: R. Flint, Alternate J. Blake, J. Luongo, M. Peterson, C. Butter

Absent: Alternate T. Patnaude, A. Higgins

February 12th, 2024, Meeting 6:10 PM

Board Business:

* Minutes from 1/08/2024 accepted (All in favor)

End Board Business

Old Business:

* Penalties for code violations
  + A. Higgins to research surrounding towns code
  + A. Higgins found references in Lovell ordinances. Needs to reference back to state law
* Water Extraction Ordinance
  + Getting feedback from Selectboard
  + Needs to be reviewed by attorney
* Comprehensive Plan
  + J. Luongo following up regarding possible grant money from WMNF
* Ordinance Maintenance
  + R.Flint to rescan document to correct sizing issue
  + J. Luongo working with Office Staff to ensure up to date code on hand
* Hydrants
  + Saco Valley Fire Association has purchased a hydrant. They are looking for the town to install at Deer Hill.
  + J. Luongo to follow up with Selectboard
* Internet upgrades for town
  + R. Flint provided update on ESRB progress
  + Charter/Spectrum looking for franchise agreement.
  + Waiting on Attorney for redline draft
* Occupancy Ordinance / New Construction checklist
  + Reviewed draft checklist for permitting and property use
  + J. Luongo to amend and review with Town Clerk
* Non-accepted roads and building permits
  + Based on legal opinion from 2016 grandfathered lots can be built on if “ (1) the lot was in existence prior to March 3rd, 1990, (2) was not adjoined by other land of the same ownership, and (3) meets all other provisions of the Ordinance other than the area or dimensional requirement”
  + Saco Valley Fire Association evaluated S. Barbour road and determined they cannot bring large apparatus down that road. Any response will be delayed and with small equipment.
  + If building permit issued for S. Barbour road should town inform applicant that town does not have a public right-of-way and applicant is responsible for obtaining ROW.
  + M. Peterson will work to identify abandoned roads
* Driveway permits and fire safety state code
  + J. Luongo to collect requirements from C. Drew at SVFA and look at how to update Zoning Ordinance
* Camping/RVs - How to manage properties used for temporary RV/camping use
  + Covered in draft checklist

End of Old Business

New Business:

* No new business

End of New Business

Future Agenda Items:

End Future Agenda Items

Next meeting 11th of March, 2024 @ 6pm

Meeting Adjourned 7:50PM